

Day 63 May 13/14

Take out your rough draft.

In each body ¶, put a star next to the Topic Sentence.

In your Intro, identify which Attention-grabbing strategy you used:

1. simile/metaphor
2. interesting fact
3. quotation
4. example

I will come around and check your rough draft.

## Let's look at the rubric for this essay.

Life in 2071 Rubric

<b>Meaning and Introduction</b>	Great insight and imagination; enjoyable to read; shows imagination & insight; excellent introduction; makes connections	Pleasant reading; shows some imagination & insight; mostly literal interpretation; makes some connections	Not enjoyable to read; adequate introduction; addresses some requirements of task	Reading is difficult; shows little evidence of understanding; poor introduction; writer's meaning is unclear; no connections	Did not understand the text or the task; difficult to understand writer's meaning; mostly copied from other sources
<b>Development</b>	Ideas supported with specific details and relevant examples; good elaboration	Some elaboration; some details and examples for support; may include minor inaccuracies	Little elaboration; only a few details from text; minor inaccuracies	Very few examples and details; brief; did not use elaboration techniques	Almost no examples or large passages copied from other sources
<b>Organization and Conclusion</b>	Clear focus, logical sequence; paragraphs have clear topic sentences. Excellent Conclusion	Some focus; some relevant details; good topic sentences; good organization; Good Conclusion	Some irrelevant information; weak topic sentences; Weak Conclusion	Lacks focus; may not have paragraphs or topic sentences; Very weak Conclusion	No paragraphs; no shape or direction; irrelevant details
<b>Language</b>	Excellent word choice and sentence fluency; sense of engagement; voice; good sentence variety	Easy to read; some engagement and voice; good word choice	Is readable but with little engagement or voice; not much sentence variety; basic vocabulary	Difficult to read; minimal vocabulary; fragmented thoughts	Very difficult to read; no variety
<b>Convention</b>	Very few mistakes	Some mistakes	Mistakes interfere with reading	Mistakes make reading difficult	Need to use spellcheck and grammar check

## Turn your rough draft into a final copy!

- the topic sentences must be clear
- topic sentences cover the entire ¶
- elaboration techniques - add information/ examples where you can (**ELA Text Pack p.1**)
- go through *each sentence* and see if you can make it clearer or more interesting

The Final Copy is not just a neater version of the rough draft; it is new and ***improved!***

For your *Introduction*:

(Indent) 1.Attention grabber. (2.Explain the quotation or give some background about the statistic.) 3.Context (Why are people worried or hopeful about the future?) 4.Connecting thought to your ... 5.**Thesis statement**.

The **Thesis statement** must be the last sentence in your *Introduction*.

Example Introduction:

atten-grabber

Stephen Dedalus said, "The past is a nightmare from which I am trying to awake." He was referring to the sad history of violence and repression, which has marked life on Earth since mankind's earliest days. If our past has been a nightmare, then our future should be a wonderful dream. Some people believe that our current problems will lead to a future that is even more violent, repressive, and difficult. They believe Dedalus's nightmare will continue; however, there are good reasons to hope, even to dream. The future may be a much better place where humanity will flourish.

ex.

context

thesis

How to write a conclusion:

- reword your **thesis statement**
- (mention the topics in your three topic sentences)
- refer back to your attention-grabber (indirectly - don't repeat it word-for-word)

The Conclusion is the reverse of your Introduction!

Example Conclusion:

*thesis*

Humanity can look forward to a much better future where everyone will have an opportunity to flourish.

Technology should help us solve our environmental

and food problems. Society and the family will

continue to strengthen. I hope to contribute to this

brighter future in my community and in my work. We

can turn our nightmares into dreams.

*topics from body P's.*

*attention grabber*

## Example Topic Sentences from **Body ¶'s**

Many people will become unemployed as new technologies take over their jobs.

I think that society will be richer, and people will be kinder in the future.

~~In the future, as new technologies advance, human beings will become more dependent on them.~~

In the future, human beings will become too dependent on new technologies.

50 Fifty years from now, environmental changes may force all of us to eat only all the food we eat will be vegetables and greens.

Technology is the stem the root of our problems.

~~Humanity will destroy the Earth like the atomic bomb destroyed Japan.~~ If pollution does not destroy the Earth, atomic bombs will.

In 50 years, humanity will have replaced many polluting items with environmentally-friendly products.

Let's talk about what food will be like in 50 years.

A new world government will take over the Earth.

~~Our jobs are on track for being taken over by machines.~~ Machines will take over many jobs, leading to massive unemployment.

Food production will be radically different in the future.

Technology makes our lives easier, but in 50 years people, *even the government*, may be too dependent on technology.

At present, there are still food shortages in this world; in 50 years, these food shortages will probably become worse.

In the future fewer conflicts will be about religion; conflicts will be about scarce resources and land.